

MILLIONAIRE BARKER TOLD TO PAY WIFE'S ALLOWANCE.

Mrs. Barker Tells Her Story on the Witness Stand and Justice Scott Orders Verdict in Her Favor.

Mrs. Eva Barker to-day won the suit she brought to compel her husband to pay her a \$5,000 annual allowance under the articles signed when they separated. Mrs. Barker took the stand in her own defense, and when she had finished, Justice Scott directed the jury to bring a verdict against the Central Valley millionaire.

Mr. Barker is an invalid, now in Florida. In his behalf ex-Judge W. M. K. Olcott has sought to prove that Mr. Barker continued to pay the quarterly installments of \$1,250 until his wife violated the contract by visiting him when he was ill in Central Valley, and urging him to sign a will in her favor.

Eugene Stocken, an editor at Turners, N. Y., testified that he was sitting by Barker's bedside when Mrs. Barker and her lawyer appeared.

"She flopped right down on her knees by the bed," said the editor, "grabbed Mr. Barker's hand and kissed it. Then she kissed his forehead."

"Get away! Get away! What do you want here? Go away!" shouted Barker.

The editor and other witnesses said the visit made Barker very angry.

Handsome Women in Court.

Mrs. Barker, who is handsome, was supported by a trio of pretty women.

In her behalf her sister-in-law, Mrs. Emma A. Barker, wife of George Barker, and Clarence Putnam, a lawyer, told of the illness of Charles B. Barker and the visit of April, 1901. Both said Mr. Barker had sent for his wife.

Then Mrs. Eva Barker told about her marriage and the separation from her husband. She had brought suit, but signed the articles of agreement to avoid scandal.

"How came you to go to your husband last April?" her lawyer, Col. J. C. Campbell, asked.

"I found that he was very sick, and Mrs. Barker's sister, Mrs. Leavitt, Mrs. George Barker and other friends told me that it was my duty to go to him at once. At the railway station at Turners I found my husband's carriage and servants waiting to convey me to the house."

How She Met Husband.

At the house Mrs. Barker found Law-



MRS. EVA BARKER.

yer Watts, Mr. Stocken, two other men and Gertrude Stringer, whom she had never seen before in the room with her husband.

"I kissed my husband's forehead," she said. "Mr. Watts said, 'Charley, if you don't want this woman here, you say the word and I'll put her out.'"

"I asked them all to leave the room, leave me with my husband. The men left, but Gertrude Stringer stayed. I begged her to leave me with my husband. She said if I would treat her right she would have Mr. Barker make a will leaving everything to me. That was all that was said about a will. I did not ask my husband to sign a will. I suggested any such thing. I was not thinking of wills then."

Mrs. Barker said that she was summoned to Central Valley by Frank

Campbell, son of her counsel, who said that her husband might die, and that Gertrude Stringer wielded a tremendous power over him.

"What was Miss Stringer?" "That question does not enter here," Judge Olcott has told who she was, when he said that she was Mr. Barker's housekeeper, and the jury may draw their own inference as to what she was.

This was the chief of the testimony Justice Scott directed the jury to find a verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

This awards a quarterly installment of \$5,000 to Mrs. Eva Barker, and she will have to sue every three months to get the rest.

Judge Olcott said the trial was only for the purpose of getting a decision to appeal from on the questions of law.

GREAT MEETING CALLED TO DISCUSS FIRE APPLIANCES.

Insurance Underwriters, Architects, Builders and Others Invited by Supt. Stewart to Aid The Evening World in Its Effort to Secure Protection for Human Life.

Through the persistence of The Evening World in its efforts to secure protection of life and property from fire—the dangers to which were made apparent by the Park Avenue Hotel horror—interest has spread until now all persons in the city are alive to the importance of the question. Numerous consultations with the officials of the Department of Buildings have resulted in Supt. Stewart issuing a call for a meeting of the leading men in the country interested in protecting buildings from fire and consequently protecting life.

Supt. Stewart has sent the invitations to the leading insurance underwriters, architects, builders, ironworkers, wood experts and chemists in the country. The list is also numerous famous firemen. The meeting will be held next Thursday afternoon in the office of Supt. Stewart and its purpose is to determine if possible what is really a fireproof building. This will bring up the matters of escape and fireproof materials, such as chemically treated wood and other substances.

It is expected that out of the meeting a committee will result which shall determine a standard of tests for fireproof materials and what shall be considered sufficient means of escape from any building.

Since The Evening World started its

TO ESTABLISH A TEST FOR FIREPROOF WOOD.

Through the efforts of The Evening World the Department of Buildings has called a meeting of the leading fire experts of the country for Thursday afternoon to discuss fireproof materials, fire-escapes and different means of egress from buildings.

The meeting will establish a standard for the Building Department on tests for fireproof woods, and efforts will be made to describe mathematically what shall be deemed adequate means of escape from buildings in case they should be on fire.

The calling of the meeting is one of the many successes The Evening World has scored since the Park Avenue Hotel fire.

fight to have escapes placed on all buildings, particularly hotels, the department has been plunged into numerous disputes with owners of buildings, who doubted the ability of the building inspectors to determine what constituted sufficient means of escape. These owners said they were willing to provide adequate means of escape, but they did not believe they should be put to extra expense by putting on fire-escapes when their buildings had been approved by previous examinations of the Department of Buildings.

However, the Park Avenue Hotel fire opened a new avenue and showed that fire was as much a danger to life from a fire in a fireproof building as from a fire in a combustible structure.

After that fire the department insisted that in fireproof buildings the stairways should be of sufficient size and number to permit of the easy and safe escape of the occupants of the building or that fire-escapes would have to be attached.

The conference to be held Thursday is the outcome of these discussions. In the conference an important matter will be the discussion of fireproof wood. Many firms are in the field with chemicals which they assert will prevent wood from burning. Many underwriters and other experts say that so far nothing has been discovered which will prevent wood from burning, although they admit that wood covered with

certain chemicals will withstand the action of heat for a time and will not burn until the coating is warped or cracked off by the heat.

To Establish a Test.

The committee which is expected to be appointed at Thursday's meeting will be asked to establish a test which shall be the standard for so-called fireproof materials. This standard will be accepted by the Building Department in its decisions as to what to permit in the construction of buildings.

Architectural ironworkers at the meeting will collaborate with the firemen and the architects as to what shall be deemed adequate means of escape from a building in case of fire.

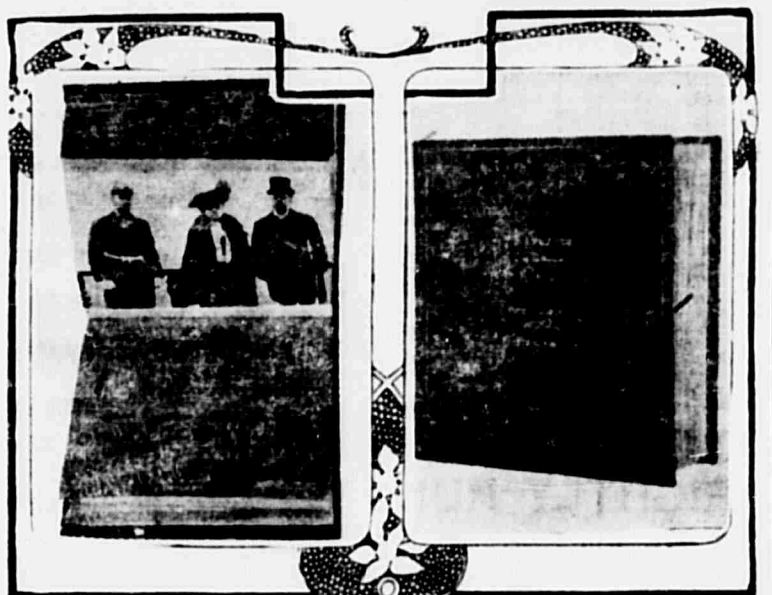
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Since the Park Avenue Hotel fire, the general activity in all directions reached the highest point. The invitations were sent, and the meeting is expected to be one of the most representative of all classes interested in protection from fire ever held.

So far the officials have been exceptionally lenient with the offenders in all cases, refusing to make their names public because of the injury it would do to their business. However, the authorities will make public the names of all who insist on resisting.

REPORTS OF HIS VISIT PRESENTED TO PRINCE.

Siegel-Cooper Company Gives Handsome Album of Newspaper Clippings.



SIEGEL-COOPER COMPANY'S SOUVENIR BOOK TO PRINCE HENRY.

Among the souvenirs of America Prince Henry is now carrying back to Germany with him one of the most interesting is a handsome album presented to His Highness on the eve of his departure as a climax to the reception tendered by the Siegel-Cooper Company of America, as it is filled with newspaper clippings referring to his visit.

The album is eleven by fourteen inches, bound in dark red full morocco, with watered silk lining on the inside, and contains 200 pages gilt edged. The newspaper clippings, cartoons and illustrations were carefully selected from the news columns and editorials of the principal papers and magazines in the United States. They are neatly pasted on the heavy cardboard pages, with the name of the paper and the date they appeared neatly written at the top.

The clippings include all that transpired from the arrival of the Hohenzollern to the departure of the Deutschland.

EMPEROR TO MEET PRINCE.

Off in Battle-Ship to Receive Henry on Arrival at Cuxhaven.

BRUNSBUTTEL, Prussia, March 18.—Emperor William left this port at 8:15 this morning on board the battle-ship Kaiser Wilhelm II., in order to meet Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia at Cuxhaven.

The Hamburg-American line steamer Deutschland, with Prince Henry and his suite on board, is due to arrive off Cuxhaven at about 7 o'clock this evening.

Brunsbüttel is a maritime town in Holstein, near the mouth of the Elbe, on its eastern shore, and at the entrance of the Kaiser Wilhelm Canal. The harbor is at the other end of the canal. Cuxhaven is at the mouth of the Elbe, on its western shore.

KING EDWARD VII. NEARLY LOST \$1,110

FORGED INDORSEMENT ON ROYAL CHECK.

The Man Who Presented It Was Arrested and Held in Bow Street Court.

LONDON, March 18.—King Edward's bank balance narrowly escaped a reduction to the extent of £22 (\$1,110) this afternoon by a forged indorsement of a check.

The latter was drawn "payable to bearer" by Gen. Sir Dighton Probyn, Keeper of the King's Privy Purse, but it was abstracted, an indorsement was forged and the check was presented at Coutts's bank, where the cashier discovered the forgery. When the man who presented the check was questioned by the cashier he ran away, but was captured and later was brought up at Bow Street Police court, where he gave the name of Alfred Reynolds.

The prisoner was remanded.

MRS. STOVER WILL PLEAD GUILTY.

WOMAN IS IN PITIABLE PHYSICAL CONDITION.

Mr. Levy Explains to Court that She Is Unfit to Discuss Case with Counsel.

Mrs. Alice Stover, who shot and killed her husband, Henry M. Stover, last Friday, was before Judge McMahon in General Sessions for pleading this afternoon.

She was very weak and Court officers had to assist her to the bar. Mrs. Stover's lawyer, Abraham Levy, pleaded not guilty on her behalf, but asked permission to withdraw the plea for one of guilty within a week.

He asked this, he said, because Mrs. Stover was physically and mentally unfit to discuss the case with counsel.

WEAK KIDNEYS AND BLADDER TROUBLE.

Had to Pass Water Very Often Day and Night. Cured by the Great Kidney Remedy, Swamp-Root.



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About two years ago I had a very severe case of kidney and bladder trouble. The pain in the small of my back was so severe that I could not stand it to stay in one position more than a moment or two, and was obliged to pass water very often day and night. I tried medicines and doctors without getting relief. Noticing an advertisement in the Topeka State Journal of Swamp-Root, I determined to give it a trial and bought a bottle. By the time I had finished the first bottle the pain had entirely disappeared from my back. The pain and frequent desire to pass water ceased. However, I continued to take the medicine, using about six bottles in all. That was over a year ago and I have had no return of the trouble.

(A. H. Sooney)
Chief Engineer, State Capitol Building, Topeka, Kan.

Jan. 2, 1902

Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for more sickness and suffering than any other disease, therefore, when through neglect or other causes kidney trouble is permitted to continue, fatal results are sure to follow.

We often see a relative, a friend, or an acquaintance apparently well, but in a few days we may be grieved to learn of their severe illness, or sudden death, caused by that fatal type of kidney trouble—Bright's Disease.

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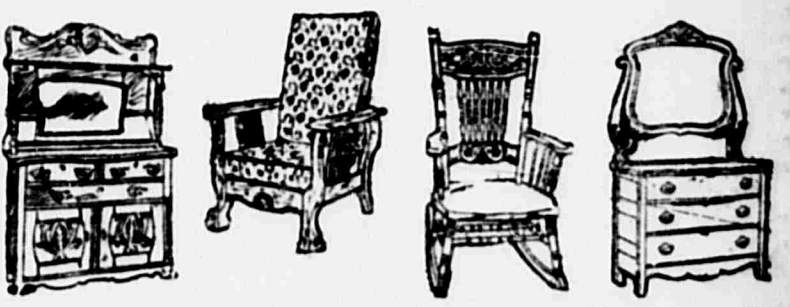
EDITORIAL NOTE—Swamp-Root has been tested in so many ways, and has proven so successful in every case, that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of The New York Evening World who have not already tried it may have a sample bottle sent absolutely free by mail. Also a book telling all about Swamp-Root, and containing many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women who owe their good health, in fact their very lives, to the wonderful curative properties of Swamp-Root. In writing, be sure and mention reading this generous offer in The New York Evening World when sending your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need, you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles at the drug stores everywhere. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

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TO INVESTIGATE WORK OF JUDGES.

ASSEMBLY PASSES BILL AUTHORIZING COMMISSION.

To Inquire Into Delays in Courts of New York and Kings Counties.

(Special to The Evening World.)

ALBANY, March 18.—Assemblyman Rogers's bill, authorizing the appointment of a commission to "inquire into the delays and expenses in the administration of justice in the counties of New York and Kings and to suggest legislation thereon," was passed in the Assembly to-day.

The bill went through after a sharp debate, in which the minority scored the majority for neglecting the remedy of evils that were well known to exist, without the appointment of a commission.

"You want to pay out \$10,000 for a commission to find out what you admit are shameful facts now," said Assemblyman Fitzgerald. "It will be a nice fat job, but in the meantime there are 14,000 cases hanging fire with only a score of judges to try them."

VETOES BY ROOSEVELT.

Two Personal Bills Are Killed by the President.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—When the Senate convened to-day two veto messages of the President were laid before the body and ordered printed.

The first was a veto of an act to grant an honorable discharge from the military service to Charles H. Hawley and the other was a veto of an act for the relief of James W. Howell.

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It charges a violation of the interstate commerce law, the offense consisting in the road charging less for the transportation of corn in carload lots than the interstate commerce law prescribes.

FRENCH STOKERS STRIKE.

La Savole Threatened with Shortage of Her Complement.

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HANGING OF YOUNG WAS A BUNGLE.

TWO ATTEMPTS BEFORE THE DROP FELL.

Man Who Was One of Four Who Killed Farmer Hunter Suffers on the Scaffold.

(Special to The Evening World.)

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., March 18.—Two attempts were made to hang John Young for the murder of Washington Hunter in the Burlington County jail before the law was carried out. At the first attempt the trap failed to work properly and fell only a few inches.

Young was heard to groan behind the black cap that had been drawn down over his face.

Sheriff Panton seized a long pole and getting under the structure forced the bolt, springing backward as the trap dropped.

After hanging a few minutes the man was examined by physicians and pronounced dead.

Young was led to the scaffold at 10:10 A. M. He bore up well and walked with a firm step. Up to the last he had hoped that his life would be spared and that his sentence would be commuted by the Board of Pardons.

He was accompanied to the scaffold by the Rev. James Stoddard. His spiritual adviser had been the Rev. Mr. Desinger, but yesterday he had some difficulty with the pastor and ordered him away from his cell. It was on this account that Mr. Stoddard was present to-day.

The body was buried this afternoon at the county cemetery at New Lisbon.

Young is the second of the four men who participated in the murder of Mr. Hunter to pay the death penalty.

He, in company with Charles Brown, Otto Keller and Charles Miller, visited Mr. Hunter's house for the purpose of robbery. Hunter, who was seventy-five years old, resisted and was beaten to death.

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GEN. MOLINEUX IN COURT-ROOM.

GIVES HIS TESTIMONY IN WILL CASE.

Says the Late Mr. Young Was a Business Man Not Easily Influenced.

(Special to The Evening World.)

Gen. Edward L. Molineux, the father of Roland Molineux, appeared as a witness to-day in a will contest before Surrogate Church, in Brooklyn. The will before the Court was that of George C. Young, who died in Brooklyn several months ago, leaving the bulk of his estate, estimated at \$100,000, to his widow.

A daughter, Mrs. Eugene Higgins, is attempting to break the will, alleging that her mother influenced her father against her by telling him that she was leading a disreputable life.

Gen. Molineux testified that he had known Young for fifteen years as a business man of sound mind, who was not easily influenced.

LIBRARY PLANS FILED.

First of Carnegie Structures to Be a Modest Building.

Plans have been filed at the Bureau of Buildings, Manhattan, for the first Carnegie library to be erected at Nos. 222 and 224 East Seventy-ninth street, being forty feet front by eighty-two feet deep. The building will be three stories in front and four in the rear.

The trustees of the New York Public Library, Lenox and Tilden Foundations and the City of New York appear as those erecting it. James B. Lord, of No. 169 Fifth avenue, is the architect. Mr. Lord was the architect of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court Building. The cost is placed at \$50,000.

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RAINES'S HOTEL BILL IS PASSED.

GOT BARELY ENOUGH VOTES IN THE SENATE.

Puts Responsibility for Enforcing Excise Law on Various City Departments.

(Special to The Evening World.)

ALBANY, March 18.—By a vote of 26 to 18 the Senate to-day passed the Raines Anti-Sham Hotel bill, which places the responsibility for violations of the Excise law by fake hotel keepers on several local bureaus in a municipality.

The Building Department, the Fire Department and the Board of Health are included.

Senator Raines had hard work getting the necessary twenty-six votes